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Saturday Morning, July 20, 1861.

Grace Church.

Divine Service will be held to-morrow, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. Service at SHARON at 4 o'clock P. M.

SETTLE UP.—We ask attention to the advertisement of W. A. Steele & Co., in today's paper.

"Short settlements make long friends," and you should settle fairly, if you never pay anything.

MISS. CENT. R.R.—We ask attention to the advertisement of Col. E. D. Frost, announcing the discontinuance of certain trains on and after Sunday, the 21st inst.

The News.

By the telegraphic reports below, and in other places, it will be seen that the fighting has at last commenced in earnest in Virginia.

Generals Beauregard and Bonham achieved glorious victories on Thursday last.

We may now expect to hear of battles almost every day, as the Lincoln Congress has voted men and money without stint for our subjugation, and the leaders of our army see what they have to do, and have set about doing it vigorously. The foul invader must be driven from our soil, and the war must be "carried into Africa." In all the pitched battles that take place we have every confidence that our forces will "smite the enemy hip and thigh"—slaughering them by hundreds, and putting them to ignominious flight. So mote it be.

LATEST FROM VIRGINIA.

TWO MORE BATTLES.

CONFEDERATES VICTORIOUS.

RICHMOND, Va., July 18th.

Beauregard achieved a victory to-day. At day-break this morning the enemy appeared in a large force at Bull's Run and attempted to cross the river in confusion and suffered considerable loss. The 1st and 7th Va. Regts. were prominent in the fight. Col. Moore was slightly wounded. The Washington Artillery, of New Orleans, did great execution. The fight extended along Bull's Run, and Gen. Scott, a Virginian, killed a Federal officer of high rank, and took \$700 from his person. Capt. DuLany, of the 7th Va. Regt., was slightly wounded. A shot passed through a kitchen house where Beauregard was sitting at dinner. The enemy, it is supposed, had discovered his whereabouts. They fired into our hospital where a yellow flag was flying.

Richmond, July 18th. Apparently reliable information from Fairfax says, the Federalists advanced this morning ten thousand strong. After four hours fighting were repulsed by seven thousand Confederates under Gen. Bonham, with immense slaughter, and retired upon Alexandria.

OUR VIRGINIA CORRESPONDENCE.—We were not able last week even to write a line thinking our correspondents, "Old Muskets" and "Red Oak," for their favors.

We have the pleasure to lay before our readers to-day another letter from our friend, "O. M.," and also one from an esteemed correspondent writing under the nom de plume of "Ensis."

Thank you, friends, for your favors. We assure you, your letters are read with great interest here. Let us hear from you weekly.

We have received a long letter from Virginia, giving an account of the trip from Corinth to Manassas Junction, and a description of the scenery along the route. It would afford us pleasure to publish it, were it not for its great length, and delay in reaching us.

War news begins now to crowd upon our columns, and this, together with the general news of the day, and other matter which we are obliged to publish, will prevent us from publishing any communication of voluminous dimensions. We shall retain the communication for our friend, as doubtless it will be a pleasure to him to read it in years to come—if he should survive the war, which we sincerely hope he may.

ANOTHER COMPANY.—Capt. E. C. Postell has received a commission to raise a company for the Confederate service, and has been for the last two or three weeks actively engaged in recruiting. We presume his company is nearly made up by this time.

His company, when full, will be uniformed by Mrs. Helen F. Johnstone, of this county.

RAIN.—We were favored on Thursday evening last with a most bountiful rain. It commenced to rain here at about 1 o'clock, and continued until about 5, with scarcely any intermission. We presume all the regions round about here were blessed with a fine season.

From all the information we can gather, crops of corn and cotton were never better in this country. Our planters, generally, will have plenty of corn to eat and to sell, and plenty of cotton to loan to their Government.

Speaking for the Confederate Loan.

We are requested to state that the Hon. A. H. Handy, Col. T. C. Upper, and O. A. Luckett, Esq., will address the people at Camden, on Saturday next, 27th inst., in behalf of the Confederate Loan.

The people are earnestly entreated to come and "hear them for their cause." The Confederate States must be "redeemed, regenerated, and disenthralled."

Confederate Loan Meeting.

We regret that sickness prevented us from being "up and about," last Monday. We learn it was one of those stirring days.

Pursuant to call, a respectable portion of the people of the county assembled at the Courthouse, to receive the report of the Commissioners appointed to collect subscriptions to the Confederate loan.

The meeting was addressed by Hon. A. H. Handy and O. A. Luckett, Esq., in eloquent and patriotic terms; and we are pleased to say, their appeals in behalf of the loan were responded to liberally.

Madison Guards—Sword Presentation.

On Monday last, at the Courthouse, the interesting ceremony of a sword presentation to Capt. W. H. Dudley, of the Madison Guards, took place.

The sword was presented to Capt. D. by our fellow-citizen, J. H. Cheatham, Esq. The presentation address was made by Franklin Smith, Esq., and responded to by Capt. Dudley, briefly, but appropriately. Whereupon, Elder D. E. Burns, being called upon by Capt. D. to speak in behalf of the Guards, delivered a soul-stirring address, calling upon the people present to contribute their money for the benefit of this company, which was on the eve of departure for the seat of war in Virginia, and almost entirely destitute of means.

We are gratified to say, that the eloquent and fervid appeal of Mr. Burns was responded to by the meeting most liberally, and the sum of seven hundred dollars was raised for the Guards upon the spot.

The Guards took their leave for Virginia on the 8 o'clock train that evening, a large concourse of people having assembled to witness their departure, bid them "God speed," and cheer them on their way.

PEARL MILLS.—We have seen several samples of flour, from the mills of Messrs. Taylor & Pearson, located on Pearl river, near Fannin, in Rankin county. This flour is said by those who have tried it to be as good as the best Western brands, except that it is a little dark, owing to the fact that the smut machine did not perform well, which difficulty has been remedied.

We learn that these mills are turning out from forty to fifty barrels per day; and our friends who have wheat to grind can have it done at short notice.

There is not, we believe, any flouring mill in this county, and that of Messrs. T. & P. is the most convenient one to us, and we hope their energy and enterprise will be rewarded by a large business. We learn they grind for a sixth part of the flour.

Confederate Loan Commissioner.

We learn that our fellow-citizen, Col. T. C. Upper, has been appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury, a Commissioner to collect subscriptions to the Confederate Loan, in money, cotton, or produce of any kind.

Books of subscription will be found at Messrs. Cassell & Baughn's, and Wood & McFarland's, and at the banking house of Richard Winter, where all are invited to call and subscribe. Col. Upper will, in a few days, issue a list of appointments to address the people of the county on the subject.

"A friend in need is a friend indeed."—Messrs. Fitchett & Kenoyer, having sustained a heavy loss at the late fire, would be under many obligations to all persons who would take for burial cases, carpenter's work, &c., if they would come forward in this their hour of need and make payment. Always needing money, of course they need it now more than ever. They hope this appeal to their friends will not prove in vain.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

THE RICH MOUNTAIN AFFAIR!

Louisville, July 16. We are advised that Gen. Garnett's forces numbered 5000, and the Federalists under McClellan amounted to 22,000, who were advancing in three columns.

Morris had flanked the Confederates on the North, and McClellan on the South, while Rosecrans approached through the center.

The patriots stood their ground to the last possible moment of safety, and the retreat must have been admirably managed, as the pursuers had no opportunity of using their small arms.

So well was the rear guarded, that, though in retreat, the Confederates were able to cover the columns, and twenty were killed.

At last accounts the Confederates were retreating towards St. George. The Federalists hope that Gen. Hill, now at Oakland, will harass the Confederates in their retreat towards Hardy county.

It is to be remembered that these troops have kept McClellan's columns in check for weeks.

From Missouri.

St. Louis, July 16. A military train was fired into twelve miles above St. Charles, severely wounding two Federalists.

The mail carrier reports that Major Harris is twelve miles between Fulton and 3000. The Federal Colonel, McNeill, is expected to reach Fulton to-night.

The houses along the route are deserted. Hon. J. W. Tucker is making speeches throughout the country, arousing the Missourians.

Col. Reifall, at Lexington, reports having discovered two hundred kegs of powder and machinery for making cannon.

Steamers are prevented from passing Jefferson City, unless carrying the United States flag.

Cincinnati, July 16. Col. Woodruff attacked a Virginia force between Mad river and Barboursville, killing and wounding several. Only one Federalist was killed.

Harrisburg, July 16. The reserve force at Cumberland now occupy Piedmont and New Creek village.

The Southerners attacked New Creek Valley, but were repulsed.

Washington, July 16, 11 A. M. Gen. McDowell will certainly advance to-night.

Gen. Scott and staff visited the troops on the Virginia side to-day.

Washington, July 16, P. M. The army has advanced. Gen. McDowell left at 3:30 this afternoon. The destination of his column is not known.

His advance guard is at Hunting Creek, 10 miles from Washington.

Washington, July 16. In the House, the bill to increase the efficiency of the volunteer force has passed.

The Navy bill has passed the Senate.

New York, July 16. The schooner Ella, of New Orleans, from Tampico to New York, in the vessel which has been captured.

Washington, July 17. It is believed that the design of the Federal Government is to avoid Manassas. Their positive intention,

however, is to allow no delay in pushing on to Richmond.

It is reported that the Southern force stationed at Aquia Creek, Dumfries, and several other points are falling back on Manassas.

Reports from Arizona and New Mexico represent the secession feeling in these Territories so strong as to render it necessary to reinforce Fort Bliss.

Fortress Monroe, July 17. The Third and Fourth Massachusetts Regiments, whose time is up, leave for Boston immediately.

Hudson, Mo., July 17. Eight hundred Federalists had a fight with an unknown number of Missourians, thirty miles above St. Charles. The Federal loss was three killed and seven wounded. The fight is still progressing.

A Missourian was caught with a gun in his hands and lung, and another in attempting to escape was riddled with balls.

Grafton, July 17. The Southerners in their retreat escaped Gen. Hill, at Oakland, by going through a pass within a mile and a half of his camp.

Richmond, July 17. Passengers from the neighborhood of Rich Mountain and Laurel Hill differ very materially in the reports of the recent engagements.

Some assert positively that Col. Pegram was neither killed nor taken prisoner, while others state directly the reverse.

Some state that Gen. Garnett was not killed, and also that the Georgia Regiment was not taken prisoner, while others give entirely different history of the affair. The suspense must continue until reliable information can be obtained.

Washington, July 17. In the House a bill authorizing Secretary Welles to purchase here vessels to suppress piracy and complete the blockade, appropriating three million of dollars for that purpose, passed.

A resolution was offered appointing a committee to investigate all war and army contracts. Mr. Van Wyck, in speaking on this resolution, said that for two months there had been a system of plunder, which for audacity and wickedness has never been surpassed. Adopted. Yeas, 89; nays, 42.

The Baltimore Police Commissioners, who are confined in Fort McHenry, have sent a petition to Congress to interfere in their behalf, which was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Louisville, July 17. A strict search is being kept up at the railroad depot. Several trunks were seized last night.

The New York troops now in and around Washington, whose term of service expires between the 20th July and 2d August, number 8,195. Other troops, whose term expires as above, amount to 6,650—total, 14,845.

THE LEGISLATURE.—Gov. Pettus has, by Proclamation, convened the Legislature on the 25th inst.

The Memphis Avalanche learns that two Mississippi regiments at Union City have received orders to proceed to Virginia.

BOARD POLICE.

A SPECIAL MEETING of the Board of Police of Madison County, will be held at the Courthouse thereof, on the 3d Monday in August next.

J. R. POWELL.

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SETTLE UP.

ALL PERSONS indebted to the undersigned, on open account, are requested to call and settle up in note or otherwise. We are willing to take Treasury Notes of the State of Mississippi, or of the Confederate States, at par, in payment of our accounts.

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